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SUBJECT: SEVENTH LOS SESSION: GREEK PARTICIPATION

REF: (A) STATE 134431, (B) STATE 131424

1. THE GOG WAS ENCOURAGED BY DEVELOPMENTS AT THE SEVENTH SESSION OF THE LOS CONFERENCE ACCORDING TO THE MFA OFFICIAL RESPONSIBLE FOR LOS MATTERS. IT VOTED FOR RESUMING THE SESSION IN AUGUST AND WILL SEND ESSENTIALLY THE SAME DELEGATION AS BEFORE, HEADED BY AMBASSADORS STAVROPOULOS AND TOULOUPAS.

2. THE MFA OFFICIAL INDICATED THAT THE REGIME OF THE STRAITS, THE DEMARCATION OF THE CONTINENTAL SHELF AND THE DEFINITION OF AN ARCHIPELAGO STATE WERE THE ISSUES OF GREATEST CONCERN TO GREECE. ON THE STRAITS QUESTION, HE INDICATED THE U.S. AND GREEK LOS DELEGATIONS HAD HELD TALKS AND THE U.S. SIDE WAS NOW LOOKING INTO THE RELEVANCE OF GREEK PROPOSALS ON THE AEGEAN STRAITS TO
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OTHER AREAS. ON THE DEMARCATION OF THE CONTINENTAL SHELF, HE EXPRESSED DISAPPOINTMENT THAT MORE WEIGHT WAS NOT BEING GIVEN TO THE MEDIAN LINE, BUT SEEMED RESIGNED THAT THIS WHOLE SUBJECT HAD PRETTY WELL BEEN AGREED TO BY A MAJORITY. AS TO THE DEFINITION OF AN ARCHIPELAGO STATE, HE EXPRESSED GUARDED HOPE THAT CHANGES COULD BE MADE WHICH WOULD BE MORE FAVORABLE TO GREECE'S POSITION.

3. COMMENTING ON AMBASSADOR RICHARDSON'S STATEMENT (REF B),
THE OFFICIAL NOTED THAT HE WAS CONSIDERABLY MORE OPTIMISTIC
THAN THE USG PUBLIC COMMENTS HAD BEEN BEFORE THE SEVENTH
SESSION. THE GOG AGREED THAT ENOUGH PROGRESS HAD BEEN ACHIEVED
AT THE END OF THE LAST MEETING TO JUSTIFY RESUMPTION IN SPITE
OF THE EFFORTS OF "SOME STATES" TO DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO
PREVENT FINAL AGREEMENT.
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